Dear Friend Garrison

I am [illegible] a few lines from Henry to myself in token of our friendship. More they cannot convey at present, though we would gladly make them the medium of such information as you would find room for in the Liberator, because of its bearings upon our cause. But it requires time to observe for oneself & to verify what one hears from others respecting a country entirely new & unknown to us. I wish we had brought with us facts suitable for general distribution among the people touching the anti slavery cause, as many read & think. Perhaps that want which we feel, may be obviated through the columns of the Liberator. Why will you not prepare a short account of the anti slavery movements in the United States from its [illegible] beginning — something by which to inform the popular mind here of the interest felt for universal freedom & for the darker race to whom it is denied in the U.S., by a small but increasing portion of the people there? I see enough

P.S. I have called & left [illegible] Rose & Good Friends, with whom we [illegible] He is a Minister of the Society of Friends — [illegible] who owned, & then he [illegible] Friends in

clearly of the kindness of heart & sympathising spirit of the Haitians & feel confident that they would be deeply affected by an article of this kind. Suppose Americans themselves, they would sympathise deeply with those who are striving to obtain it, for their oppressed people in a land which they can look upon with just detestation from the ill treatment to which they are subjected & which refuses to acknowledge the nationality independence they have won so dearly. We sympathise with those who are striving to delight in showing a different complexion

Would you prepare such an article as I suggest & cause an extra 1000 copies of the Liberator to be struck off, (charge to us) perhaps would it be well to have the whole paper made up of such articles as would tell well that the people, not forgetting to state that the opposition to peasant is so far carried in some parts of the country as to have taken the name of abolition, while striving cruelly

to quell the Spirit of Freedom. In the Miscellaneous department I would suggest the Republication, from the Jenny Magazine, No. for March 1838., of Harriet Martineau's account of Toussaint L'Ouverture, & in the Non-resistance department some article on the expediency of a forgiving Spirit & the moral excellency of abjuring violence & revenge & returning good for evil, directing attention to the Life of Christ as an exemplification. There is little or nothing of technical religion here; which is one obstacle the less to the promulgation of true religion. There is here immorality but not hypocrisy: with professedly Christian nations of the North, there both immorality & hypocrisy. For the same reason that Christ & the disciples went first to the cities of Israel rather than to the gentiles, would I have the gospel preached in Boston in preference to Cape Haitien— they need it more in their state of Pharisaism than do these in their state of comparative simplicity.

I assure you we are feeling deeply the wants of the cause in Mass & R. I. Do write to us, & I hope you may be able to give us cheering news. Henry seems in some respects better & in none worse, so that I trust we shall be able to return home with good information. If you can give

an abstract of the progress of the Anti Slavery cause, pray give a copy of the petitions we have circulated with so much vigour for the abrogation of laws founded on distinctions of colour & for the recognition of Hayti as independent by our Govt.

If it were thought advisable to the Legislature to have a French & English version of the petitions or any thing else translated for your use Genl. C.M.W.C.

Genl Armstrong

Genl Wilkinson

With affectionate & united regards to Mrs Garrison & yourself, we are dear Friend, yours ever

Henry G & Maria W. Chapman